

MG Car Club Northern Centre Newsletter

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New Members

We take great pleasure in welcoming the following new members to the club:

- Ken Gould - MGA's (3x)
- Roger & Liezl Hill - MG TC
- MG TF
- MG ZR
- Tobie Weeber - MGA Coupe
- Robin Clark - MG P-type
- MG Magnette
- MGA
- MGB GT

I am sure that all members will join the Exco in welcoming these members to the club, and we hope to see them at many events in the future.

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PETIT VINTAGE & CLASSIC FLY-IN

5 SEPTEMBER 2015

The September run will be taking place on 5 September 2015 - not the usual 4th Sunday of the month - because we would like to attend the *Petit Classic & Vintage Fly-in*.

We attended this event, unofficially, in October last year, and it was a great success. So much so that we have decided that it should be an official run for 2015. Last year there were around 150 aircraft which flew in, with a great many of them doing displays and numerous touch & go fly-ins.



We have arranged a convoy which will leave from the clubhouse at 08:00 sharp. This will be lead by Pepi in the P-type, so it should make for very impressive convoy! Depending on whether folks are in a particular hurry to arrive we could break this up into two separate convoys - a fast group and a P-type group - but we will leave this arrangement to be finalised on the day.

The organisers of the fly-in expect to have **aircraft arriving from 07:30 onwards**, so if the clubhouse is not on your way to Petit you are welcome to go directly there. There is obviously value in being there early, as you want to see the aircraft land and taxi into position. The coordinates for the airfield are: S26 05.095 E28 23.401

At last year's event there was a shortage of vendors selling refreshments, and we found that we were not adequately prepared. Taking on board the learning from last year, we suggest that you **bring your own refreshments**. Perhaps something warm from the morning and something cold for the afternoon (or late morning...). It may also be worthwhile **bringing along some folding chairs** if you wish to give your legs a break during the day.

The committee will arrange for a Braai (or two) to be available for members to braai some meat for lunch, so if you would like to **join us for braai** please bring your own meat along.

The day promises to be most enjoyable, and if last year is anything to go by it will be a day you will not want to miss if there is any petrol running through your veins!

Key details are:

Date: 5 September 2015

Time: 07:45 (for 08:00 departure) at the clubhouse

OR

07:30 onwards at the airfield

Location: S26 05.095 E28 23.401

FROM THE WORKBENCH

I think that this last month has been one of the busiest, and most interesting MG months ever – certainly for Bronwyn and me. I have written a rambling piece about what we have been up to elsewhere in the newsletter as I am not sure that the Editorial/Chairman's comment is where that ramblings belongs...

The Club has been very active this month – we had the Noggin on the 3rd, a purely social affair, but very well attended, and it was great to see so many MG Friends. It was a very difficult Noggin to leave!

Next we had the Combined Centre's run to The Nest, which was well attended, although I think that the MGA tour and the "Lap of Natal" following so quickly afterwards had a negative effect on participation, especially from the Johannesburg Centre. Those of use that attended had a great time, and it was nice to make new friends with the KZN centre. Bronwyn and I also took part in the MGA Tour, which was an eventful trip for all concerned, and we thoroughly enjoyed it. All three of the Northern Centre participants, George & Liz, Steve & Hazel, Bronwyn & me, have written about it in the newsletter – so page on to learn more about it.

The food at the pub evening was definitely a cut above the usual, provided by Pepi who subcontracted the cooking to the supremely capable Lynn Stopforth who owns and run the Vovo Telo on Grayston Drive, Sandton.

Attendance was a down at the monthly run, which was a real pity as Claus had gone to a great deal of trouble arranging a wonderful run. There were 4 MG's on the run (and one plastic Alfa...) and it was great to see Trevor's TD out, which what must be our youngest regular attending member.

As you will have seen from the correspondence sent out late in August – and repeated in the newsletter – we have moved the monthly run for September to the 5th so that we can attend the Petit Fly-In which is to be held at Petit Airfield. This was a stellar event last year, and we hope that many members will join us there. We will have braai fires available to cook meat on, and while we have been informed that there will be refreshments on sale it might be worth bringing your own in case.

The usual noggin & pub-evening will take place this month. We had originally scheduled to have the Table Raffle at the September Noggin, but due to the Exco being very busy with MG related activities we have elected to postpone it until November to allow us to be better prepared.

Early-bird registration, at reduced cost, for the Indaba is still open. Indaba's are incredible events – you get to know fantastic people and become part of the International MG Family. I wouldn't miss one for the world and I hope that our members who have perhaps not attended one yet will take this opportunity to sample one! Please register, if you have not yet done so!

It may be seen that we are welcoming three new members to the club this month, which is cause for celebration! We hope to see much of them, and that they will enjoy the MG Family as much as we do.

Finally, I would like to make an appeal for input from members for activities which would appeal as club events. As an exco we are really trying our best to come up with exciting club events, which will encourage members to get out and about in their MG's and join us. If you have any ideas please chat to me, or one of the exco members – we would welcome any input whatsoever!

Octagonally,
Stephen Grover

Potjiekos Competition

Claus Pille

Some members of the MG club entered after being coerced / begged / threatened by me to please support a fund raising event.

The event was held at Phyllis Robertson Home who take care of 65 mentally and some physically challenged inhabitants.

The idea behind the fundraiser was to organise a potjiekos competition and be judged on the theme of the stall, the food as well as the spirit of the competitors.



So early in the morning we arrived – took out a bottle of OB's – lit the fire – started peeling the onions to brown and once the meat was in the pot did we get time to set up our camp. We, while setting up the camp, realised that the aeroplane had indeed gone over so an ice cold beer was the order of the day. By this time the clock had struck mmmm can't really remember the exact time but what the heck these finer details are really not that important and also boring.



So by the time the judges came around for the first time all inhibitions had gone and I hugged and kissed good morning the one lady judge (did I mention that I roped Sharleen in to be a judge??).

We tried to bribe the judges by offering them lots of OB's but they refused.

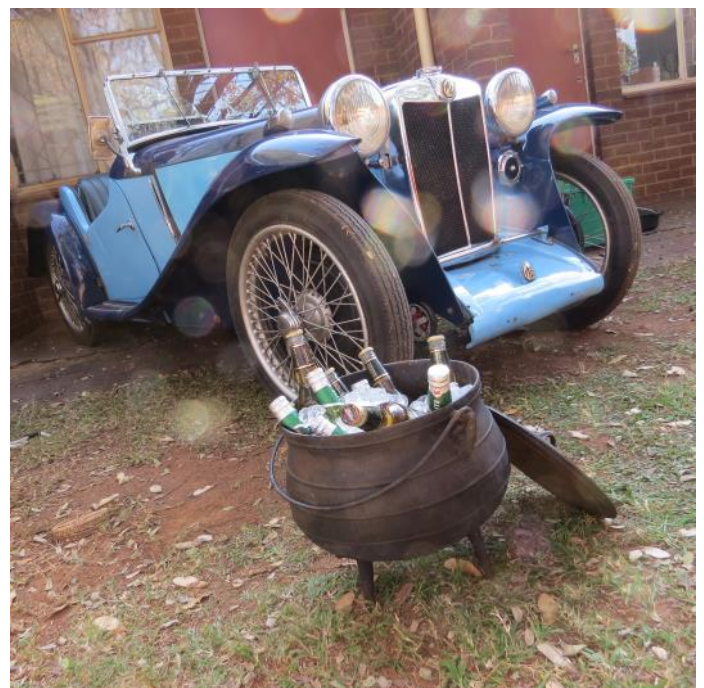
We cooked, sipped on a cold beer, listened to life music, sipped on more beer, oh and stirred occasionally. That I'm good at ... stirring.

Well by lunch time when all the judging was done we sat down and enjoyed a rather nice tasting pot.

Dirk, Pepi and Raymond made a rib and bacon pot and I entered a can't remember what I threw into the pot. Oh yes now I remember..... Ob's and yes I do vaguely recall something about beef shin but I stand to be corrected (I again don't want to bore you with all the detail).

When it came to prize giving we actually managed to get third prize for spirits (I would hope so because by that time we were full of spirits).

I like to thank Pepi, Dirk, Raymond, Allan and Denise as well as Trevor for supporting the event. It was a really enjoyable Saturday and it all went for a worthy cause.



Beestekraal Club Run

23 August 2015

Claus Pille

Spring has sprung a little early this year as the temperature when I left home at 08:30 was very pleasant. I drove down the N14 towards the Malibongwe off ramp and was pleasantly surprised that I encountered very little delay because of the construction on the highway.

I turned off and while driving past Lanseria and beyond the fresh smell of the rather pleasant air was really enjoyable (and no I didn't have any of that pot from the left overs of the potjiekos competition neither did I have any "anti-freeze").

I arrived at the Engen garage our meeting point and to my horror I didn't see anybody else. So maybe half an hour before departure time was a little early. When by 09:45 still nobody had arrived I frantically started calling people. Nobody I called answered so I guessed they were all still on their way.



You see I explained to Stephen where the meeting point is and as I know where it is I never paid any attention to what Stephen had published in the newsletter. Anyways cars started arriving and eventually we were only 5 cars that left. I guess the A tour as well as some of the regular supporters of our club runs that were away took its toll on the attendance figures.

But that didn't deter us from having an interesting ride to Brits. On the way we saw the dam wall from a different than usual view, we crossed the canal system that starts at the dam wall and runs for about 100 km across agricultural land to feed the fields with water.

After passing through Brits we made our way to Beestekraal station. There we had a most welcoming cold beer or two before Stephen left us with his Italian MG wannebee (I'm sure that's what the Alfa wants to be once it comes out of the closet) and we backtracked and then drove via a different route back to Brits.

There we settled down to a great looking Sunday buffet at Thatch Haven. I couldn't stay since I wanted to get back to Julie who is still recovering.

Thanks to Bernard and Marelize, Jay and Dave and Trevor for joining us on a relaxing "spring" club ride.





MGA 60th Anniversary Tour

Steve Eden



Following the success of the MGA 50th Anniversary Tour in 2005, most of the then involved organisers decided that a similar event should be held to commemorate the 60th Anniversary of these fine cars.



Having thoroughly enjoyed the last event, despite it being an experience rather than a holiday I persuaded Hazell, that 10 years on, we should have another go. We also felt that those 17 individuals participating in both tours should receive a memento, so Hazell and I procured some Beanies and had the logo above embroidered on them.



The car was prepped by myself and Dave Wheeler and fitted with disc brakes to improve stopping ability in the increased traffic density of 2015. The 2005 tour was completed with virtually no brakes due to a front wheel slave cylinder failure on day 1.



Cases were packed, logistics of packing the car sorted, and the regalia and decals collected at Nick Parrots despite me having a heavy cold. By the Tuesday before the event I was at the Docs being advised that a 10 day tour in an open car was likely to end with pneumonia or similar.

We made the difficult decision to leave the A at home and follow the tour in the Freelander, not an ideal situation, but the only sensible solution.



Being in a "plastic" left us feeling rather removed from the tour, but we certainly did not feel excluded by the other participants. A fantastic atmosphere of camaraderie was evident, and anyone with car problems was ably assisted by the back-up crews and other participants.

Suffice it to say, everyone made it back home in one piece, and we are all looking forward to the next tour, let's make it the 65th anniversary, in 2020, whilst we are all still young enough to enjoy it! There will be a report back at the October Noggin, so I will leave the rest until then.

Drive your MG

The MGA 60th Anniversary Tour

Liz & George

Three cars from Northern Centre (Steve and Hazell Eden, Stephen and Bronwyn Grover, George Dehlen and Liz van Wyk) were among the 48 participating in the MGA 60th Anniversary Tour around South Africa including the southernmost tip of Africa from 13th to 24th August. Joining us for the portion of the route between Port Elizabeth, Knysna, Cape Agulhas, Oudtshoorn and Graaff-Reinet were ex-Northern Centre members Johan and Ilse Kruger who now live in Natures Valley.

Memories of eleven days of driving, 4000km, interesting scenery, yellow Canola fields between Swellendam and L'Agulhas, the enduring beauty of Meiringspoort and the walk up to the waterfall, the variety of raptors on roadside poles every few km, renewing old friendships and making new ones, heavy rain on two days and gratefulness for the hardtop keeping out 95% of the water, MGAs being maintained and ingeniously repaired after every day's run, and constant concern as to whether the old car would make it to the end.



The highlight for us was driving through rural Southern KZN and the North-Eastern Cape (the old East Griqualand and Transkei) which was a hair-raising experience. The longest leg, Day 3, saw us drive from Kokstad through Matatiele, Maclear, Elliott and Tsomo to East London – a route chosen to avoid Umtata where we had been warned about snatching of the suitcases strapped on top of the MGAs' boots. An early start, mountain passes, dodging potholes, cattle, goats and sheep on the roads, traffic police supplementing local income with speed traps, masses of pedestrians doing their Saturday morning business filling the streets in the rural towns and villages (a crawl-speed collision with one of them was fortunately not serious but could have been nasty) made it a memorable day. Unfortunately no photos of this day – the priority was simply to get through it all.



Interesting to classic car enthusiasts were the MGs participating (41 MGAs, a ZB, an MGB, and a Midget), the MGs of local enthusiasts who came to meet us at the different overnight stops, a variety of classics at Frost Brothers, Classic Car Storage, and the Parnell Bruce Collection in Knysna, and the amazing 300-car collection of Louis Coetzer in Bloemfontein.

Our old MGA went well except that it did not like the many steep mountain passes, overheating on each of them. This resulted in the cylinder head gasket blowing between cylinders 2 and 3. After struggling in to Knysna, this was replaced by Ricky Cooper with a kit couriered from Alan Uzzel on the rest day – Day 6. All went well after that, even returning the lowest fuel consumption between Swellendam, Cape Agulhas and back. On returning home a thorough check of all the possible causes of the overheating led to



the most likely suspect – a worn radiator filler neck and an imperfectly-fitting radiator cap.

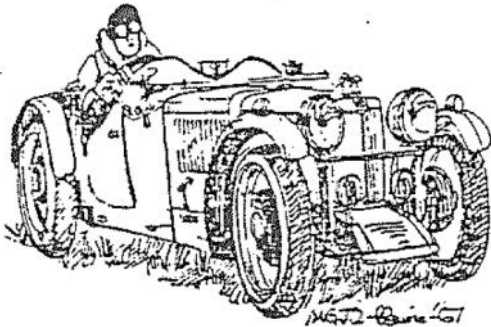
Our thanks go to the tour's organizing team who made this as memorable as the 50th Anniversary Tour ten years ago, and to the two back-up vehicles driven by Stuart Hain and Clive Winterstein which gave some peace of mind. We are also grateful to Steve and Hazell for carrying our strap-on suitcase in their Freelander on rainy days and on the day through Transkei.

Liz and George



TALES FROM A ~~MAGICAL~~ AUGUST... MGA-ICAL

This past month has definitely been one of the most MG months that I have been privileged to enjoy. Normally I include a few personal anecdotes in the Editorial, but this month there is just too much! This is not much more than a rambling retrospective through the past few weeks, but I hope that you will enjoy it.



August started off with the purchase of a new project! Such Excitement! It is now no secret that (Bronwyn and) I have bought a 1933 MG J2. MG J2 J3395 is the “newest oldest” addition to the Northern Centre. While the car is very much a project, and there is a lot of work between what exists now and a running J2, it is a wonderful starting point and I am excited about the path that lies ahead. I have been bending the ear of anybody that would listen for some time now about strong desire to be the custodian of a MMM car. From the day

that I first sat in and drove PA0810 – Pepi’s P-type – the desire to own a MMM car has been growing. And while there have been a few “false starts” I am incredibly lucky to have found, more-or-less, exactly what I was looking for. The fact that the lead came through a great friend, who was my best-man at the wedding last year, who is not at all related to MG’s but rather a dyed-in-the-wool Alfa(!) man, makes it all the more special. I am looking forward to the journey that lies ahead, and I hope to keep the club posted on the progress as I climb the mountain that lies ahead.



Between buying the J2 and fetching it we embarked on two adventures in the MGA which involved taking in 3100km over two successive weekends. While this is not the mileage that those completing the entire MGA tour undertook, it was a very enjoyable driving time. The first run was the much publicised combined centres event at The Nest. The event was attended by a number of members of the Northern Centre and the KZN centre. The Johannesburg centre’s attendance was limited by the proximity of the MGA Tour, as well as the “Lap of Natal” which was being held shortly after the MGA Tour. There were six Northern Centre cars there.



Those of us that attended had a great time, and it was wonderful to get to know some of the KZN members and make new friends. It is on events like these where relationships are really formed. Bronwyn has put together a great GoPro video on the weekend which is well worth watching to get a feel for the event – have a look at it here: <https://www.youtube.com/embed/tSamsRiuG0>,

or via the club's Facebook page

The following week we were back on the same (exactly the same...) road to the Drakensburg as we took part in the first stage of the MGA tour. Both George Dehlen and Steve Eden have both written great write-ups for the newsletter which are included elsewhere, so I will not go into the details of the tour, but suffice to say that it was a real adventure. Any MG is a great car to drive on the open road, especially the type of roads which are found around the Drakensburg and the Eastern Cape, and the MGA must be close to the best MG for those type of roads.



The third day of the tour – our last day – was the longest day of the tour, and our day was made even longer by an alternator bracket failure in Elliot. Fortunately the bracket, which was a fabricated and welded bracket made by the previous owner, failed as we were entering the town and I managed to limp into the Engen Garage. With the problem diagnosed a quick foray into the SupaQuick next door had the bracket back together & we were back on the road. By the time that we were back on the road the sweep vehicle and the cars at the back of the convoy had caught us up, so we drove into East London at moderate pace – keeping a keen eye on the temperature gauge as it was a very hot day with significant uphill's and a tailwind.



We turned homeward bound from East London on Sunday morning and drove back to Johannesburg in one shot – which was a real test of endurance, although quite enjoyable and the MGA performed faultlessly.



The 'A' tour was an incredibly enjoyable experience, and our only regret was that we were unable to do the entire event. MG's really are great driving cars, and anything post-1955 is a more than capable cross-country tourer. This was our first "tour" and I would go to great lengths to not miss another one – the camaraderie between entrants, the thrill of a long drive in a classic car, and the wonderful scenery our country has to offer makes for a very enjoyable few days.

I have now replaced the *home-made and exhaust shop repaired* alternator bracket with the "correct" alternator conversion hardware – which employs a Mini alternator bracket. I was

very surprised when I took the alternator off the car, in the safety and convenience of the workshop at home, that the alternator bracket had broken *again!* Only this time it had failed in a different place and was held in position quite neatly by the mounting bolts. I was very relieved that it hadn't failed somewhere else, and I am glad to have the piece of mind that the car is now rid of that fabri-

cated piece of steel.

While the MGA is back on the road and running better than ever the MGBGT has decided that it wants for some attention, in that the rear brakes have started grabbing. I have been aware of a degree of ovality in the drums for a while and it seems now needs rectification. I have a hunch that it is just plain grumpy with me for not driving it enough, and I will need to use it more in the next few months to keep it happy, although it did get a good run to The Nest ably driven by my dad, so it can't be that frustrated, surely?



Here's hoping for another great MG Month ahead, and I am looking forward to seeing many folks at the upcoming events.

Octagonally,

Stephen Grover

MG Car Club Northern Centre Charity Drive 2015

This year's Christmas party will be pretty much the same as the very successful 2014 party - see the event write-up for that under upcoming events.

This year however we would like to get the kids attending giving a little of their time to help people less privileged. Before the man of the day arrives in his red sleigh we are going to show the kids how to make decorated sweet biscuits. These together with the donations we would like to give to the people staying in the Phyllis Robertson home.

The Phyllis Robertson home is an establishment that cares for about 65 mentally and physically challenged people. The home was last subsidised by the Lotto in 2012 and thus finds it difficult to make ends meet. The monthly contributions by guardians/parents of the inhabitants is not enough to hold head above water.

So from the MG club we would like to make their lives a little brighter this year by organising a Christmas function.

And that is where we need your help PLEASE!!!! For the next months leading up to December at each of our Noggins and each of our club rides we ask all members attending to please bring along something nice and smelly (like a his or hers deodorant/small packets of tissues/his or hers soaps/ his or hers hand creams or face cloths).

These we'll wrap together so that eventually every person in the home will get a present with his or her name on it. PLEASE SUPPORT THIS CHARITY EVENT THAT WE HAVE CHOSEN, I promise it is for a good cause.

Greetings
Claus

Upcoming Events

Monthly Run Petit Classic & Vintage Fly-in Saturday 5 September 2015

Please see Page 4 for details of this exciting event!

Natter 'n Noggin Social Evening Monday 7 September 2015

The usual Natter 'n Noggin will take place on the first Monday of the month.

Please note that we have moved the Table Raffle to the November Noggin - **2 November 2015** - to allow ourselves more time to get prepared for the event. Please see the note elsewhere in the newsletter regarding this event.

Please join us for a social evening with friends.

Date: **Monday 7 September 2015**
Time: **19h30 for 20h00**
Where: **MGCC Northern Centre Clubhouse
Corner of 26th Avenue and Umgazi Road
Menlo Park**

Pub Evening Friday 18 September 2015

The September pub-evening will be of the same format which has now become a standard.

We are expecting warmer weather given that we will be well into Spring, and we are planning to Braai Prego rolls, which is to be arranged by Gary Chapman.

The cost will be nominal - R25 to R30, and the bar will be open from 17:30 until late.

The event is open to all who would like to attend - members & non-members, friends and family. It is a wonderful way to wind down after a long week and enjoy the company of like-minded friends, free of the stresses of day-to-day.

Also - nobody has to cook if you come to the pub evening!

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Date: **Friday 18 September 2015**
Time: **17h30 onwards**
Where: **MGCC Northern Centre Clubhouse, Corner 26 Avenue and Umgazi Road
Menlo Park**

Upcoming Events

Natter 'n Noggin MGA Tour Feedback / Presentation Monday 5 October 2015

The usual Natter 'n Noggin will take place on the first Monday of the month.

George Dehlen and Steve Eden will be providing feedback, and entertaining us with tales of the recent MGA tour, which covered some 4000km over the course of 10 days. Please join us for an entertaining evening with friends, and perhaps generate some enthusiasm for future tours and the upcoming Indaba!

Date: **Monday 5 October 2015**
Time: **19h30 for 20h00**
Where: **MGCC Northern Centre Clubhouse
Corner of 26th Avenue and Umgazi Road
Menlo Park**

Jacaranda Run Sunday 25 October 2015

This is once of our most popular annual events which takes place around the city of Pretoria to look at the famous Jacaranda Trees in full bloom.

The run will be followed by a Braai, for with the club will provide the fires, or a picnic if you would prefer at the clubhouse. The bar will be open and we should be able to enjoy the summer weather which we anticipate will be upon us!

We will meet at the Union Buildings, on Government Avenue, for a 10:00 departure, and will follow a route through and around the city before ending up at our familiar clubhouse. The event is normally joined by other clubs, and the Johannesburg Centre has declared the event their official event for October so there should be a strong MG presence on the day.

Please join us for a great day out enjoying your car.

Date: **Sunday 25 October 2015**
Time: **09:30 for 10:00**
Where: **Meet at the Union Buildings, Government Avenue, Pretoria.**



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Upcoming Events

Table Raffle

Noggin on Monday 2 November 2015

This is an event which has proved very popular during the past few years. At the Noggin on Monday 2nd November we will be holding a Table Raffle in the Clubhouse at 8pm.

What?

Donate any MG items for which you no longer have a need (spares, tools, memorabilia, books, regalia, . . .) but also any other items which might interest members. Anything.

When?

Bring them to September Noggin or deliver them to the Clubhouse before the afternoon of Monday 2nd November to allow time for the organizers to set up the tables before the Noggin that evening. Alternatively contact George at 0824921806 to collect them from you.

How does it work?

Buy raffle tickets (R2 each) – many of them preferably – 10 is a good start. The raffle master will draw numbers at random, and the ticket holder may come forward and select any (yes ANY) one item to take home. And so on until the tables are empty.

Date **Monday 2 November 2014**
Time: **19h30 for 20h00**
Where: **MGCC Northern Centre Clubhouse**
 Corner of 26th Avenue and Umgazi Road
 Menlo Park

Christmas Party

Saturday 5 December 2015

Last year we held a very successful Christmas party, were we arranged for a Jumping Castle to entertain the Children (and some adults...), Santa Claus arrived aboard a 1950's XPAG powered Sleigh, and wonderful time was had by all. This year we will be running a similar event, and hope that you will join us.

The event will be held in the afternoon of 5 December, and will take the format of a Bring & Braai, and we will contact members directly to arrange for salads and sides.

The idea is as follows: If your children\grandchildren are attending please buy a present for not more than R100.00 and wrap this and indicate with big bold letters the name of the child. Father Christmas at his age has a problem on reading small print !!! Hand this to Julie or myself if the kids are not looking. Then later Father Christmas will arrive during the course of the afternoon and hand out the gifts.

For the adults attending please get a unisex present to the value of between R50.00 to R80.00 for a "Secret Santa", which will be coordinated on the day.

More details will follow as we get closer to the date, but for now—please diarise 5 December.

Date **Saturday 5 December 2015**
Time: **12h00 onwards**
Where: **MGCC Northern Centre Clubhouse**
 Corner of 26th Avenue and Umgazi Road
 Menlo Park

Forthcoming Events in Brief

Point allocation c=Clubman, v= Victrix/tor Ludorum, RR=Regularity Rally, HR=Historic Racing

September

Sat 5	Petit Fly-In	NC	See details on Page 4	c
Mon 7	Natter & Noggin	NC	Clubhouse 19h30 onwards.	c
Fri 18	Pub Evening Prego Rolls on the Braai	NC	Clubhouse from 17h30 onwards	
Sun 20	Piston Ring Swop Meet	Piston Ring	Piston Ring, Modderfontien	

October

Mon 5	Natter 'n Noggin MGA Tour Feedback	NC	Clubhouse 19h30 onwards	c
Fri 16	Pub Evening	NC	Clubhouse 17h30 onwards	
Sun 25	Jacaranda Run	NC	See details on Page 16. Meet at Union Buildings 09h30 for 10h00	c

November

Mon 2	Natter 'n Noggin Table Raffle	NC	Clubhouse 19:30 onwards See Page 17 for details	c
Fri 13	Pub Evening	NC	Clubhouse 17:30 onwards	
Sun 21	Proposed Driving Tests	NC	TBD—see upcoming newsletter	c/v

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Indaba Newsletter No 3 July 2015 Just 13 months to go!

Dear MG Enthusiast.

We are extremely pleased to announce that, due to the generosity of our major sponsor, it has become possible to reduce the cost of the 2016 MG Indaba.

For those that register, R502 fee paid, before September 30, 2015, the Indaba cost has been reduced to a total of R3900 per couple excluding accommodation. A saving of R600. (Single entries have been reduced to R2300)

Hence your total cost for the event is likely to be less than R6600 per couple, including B&B accommodation at Villa Africa.

For those who register after September 30, the cost will be R4250, a saving of R250.

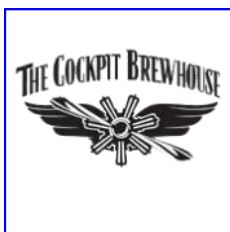
We have simplified the accommodation process, and for those who request an hotel, we will fill Villa Africa first, and any overflow will be accommodated at Willows Country Lodge. Bookings will be made on your behalf by the Indaba organisers.

Final accommodation costs should be available around the end of September when we have a better indication of the numbers, as we will be negotiating the rates on your behalf. As mentioned earlier the **total cost will be under R6600 per couple all inclusive.**

Registration forms are available on our website www.mgcc-north.co.za/indaba2016, or on request from this e mail address.

A revised payment plan will be issued shortly.

Regards, the Indaba 2016 Team



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